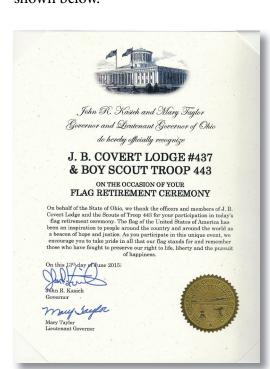


Flag Retirement & Awards Luncheon begins with unique entrance

This year's Flag Retirement & Awards Luncheon began with Bro. Michael Elliott of the All Veteran Group parachuting into the event with the American Flag as the National Anthem was sung by Ms. Erin Reardon of Amelia High School.

This event has become the capstone event for J. B. Covert Lodge and included members of the Boy Scouts, local government leaders, local veteran's groups, the Ohio Patriot Guard Riders, Covert Commandery, and the commendation of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor shown below.



As part of this event J. B. Covert Lodge recognizes local groups and individuals for their service to the community and to Masonry.

This year's recipients of service pins are as follows:

Receiving their 25 year pin were:

Brothers Jeffrey Carpenter, Robert Cordes, and Rush Webster.

Receiving their 35 year pin were:

Brothers Larry Armstrong, Allen Hicks, Carl Hutchinson, and Morton McArthur

Receiving their 40 year pin were: Brothers Javan Chambers, John Cook, James Elam, Peter Finzer, Morris Johnson, William Swift Jr., William Swift, Sr., Walter Syphax Jr., and Kenneth Wright.

Receiving their 50 year pin were: Brothers Donald Barger, Donald Devore, John Gilley, Jimmie Herrington, and Howard Thompson.

Brother Henry Kaetzel, Jr. was recognized for 60 years of Masonic service.



In 2015 J. B. Covert raised \$500 to send 2 Scouts to Summer Camp and with a donation from Roy Elliott we are halfway to sending 2 Scouts to camp in 2016!

The 2016 Flag Retirement and Awards Luncheon will be scheduled soon.

See more pictures from this year's event on the gallery page at <u>jbcovertlodge.com</u>



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Message from the East

Greetings Brethren,

On June 13, 2015, J. B. Covert celebrated its annual flag retirement and awards luncheon. This event is always a highlight of our year and it has provided me with many memories throughout the years. Chief among these, was being present as my grandfather, Brother Clay Campbell received his



50-year service pin from Most Worshipful Brother Michael Himes, Past Grandmaster of Masons in Ohio, two years ago. Bro. Dave Olmstead, the father of this event, once again did a stellar job putting it together. I want to thank all of the Brethren who came out and made this event special and successful.

Like in years past, this event has given me many memories. It is hard to describe the feeling of awe and patriotism that I felt when I watched Brother Michael Elliott, of the All Veteran Group, descend from the clouds with the flag of our nation. This is a memory that I will always remember. I have no doubt that everyone in attendance shares this sentiment. It was also my great honor and pleasure to welcome Brother Elliot into our Lodge. His dedication



as both a soldier and a professional serves as an inspiration to all of us.

As Worshipful Master this year, it was my privilege to present 25-40 year service awards and to assist in presenting 50+ year awards. I presented Brother Rob Cordes with his 25-year pin. Brother Cordes is a current trustee and has been an amazing asset to our Lodge. I then presented Worshipful Brother William O. Swift, Sr. and his son, Brother William O. Swift, Jr. with their 40-year pins. This was deeply meaningful for me because I am a proud third generation Mason and because Worshipful Brother Swift is a "senior statesman" of our Lodge. He has taught me and many others a great deal about what it means to be a Mason. I then assisted Right Worshipful Brother Larry Gillinger in presenting Brother Jimmie Herrington with his 50-year pin. I enjoyed discussing with Brother Herrington his Masonic experience. I was fortunate to have moments to speak with each of these Brethren throughout the course of the day. It is my hope that we can all take the time to learn from these exemplary men.

May God bless all of you!

Fraternally,

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Come See J. B. Covert Members Butch Determan and Scott Dunford perform at this great event!



National Museum of the US Air Force®

Date: Aug 1st, 2015

Time: Depart from J. B. C. 8:30 an

Cost Breakdown:

- 1. Museum Entrance FREE
- 2. Transportation Carpool
- 3. Guided Tour 10:30 am FREE
- 4. WB Olson's Guided Tour- FREE
- 5. Lunch at Valkyrie Cafe on your own
- 6. IMAX Movies- Schedule not available yet
- 7. Dinner on return trip TBD by those in attendance

Details: Carpooling from lodge we'll head up to Dayton to visit the museum. WB Olson has offered to share some of his vast aviation knowledge for those who would like to walk with him through the various displays.



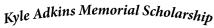
If you would like to participate in this event please contact Dave Olmstead Social Committee Chairman @ 513-617-0906 or web@jbcovertlodge.com

Donations To The Lodge

Our thanks to the following members and friends who donated to the Lodge & special funds: John Rowe, Jack Lennon, Dale Olson, James Shriver, Roy Elliott, Daniel Campbell and Behind The Scenes Productions.

Birthdays For July

Kenneth Ballard, Matthew Beamer, Ronald Beamer, Raymon Blessing, Paul Brondhaver, Harold Buchanan, David Clark, Donald Devore, Christian Dziadek, Roy Elliott, Eric Hagen, Jerry Johnson, Gregory Marcum, Joseph Mason, Daniel Moore, Matthew Palm, James Paxton, Monty Proffitt, Paul Reuscher, Wayne Smith, Jake Terry, Robert Wolf, Forrest Wolfinger.



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Upcoming Events

Birthday

- Jun 28 6th District St. Johns Day Celebration
 - Open to Family and Friends
- Jul 10 **Entered Apprentice Degree** 6:00 pm social 7:00 pm work
- Iul 11 6th District Music Festival

Noon to 8:30 pm Amelia Lodge Open to Family and Friends

See article in this newsletter or website

- Jul 21 J. B. Covert Stated Meeting 6:00 pm social 7:00 pm work
- Wright Patterson Air Force Base Museum Aug 1 8:30 am car pool departs JBC Open to Family and Friends
- Aug 18 J. B. Covert Stated Meeting 6:00 pm social 7:00 pm work

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